

**Money Follows the Person
Steering Committee Meeting
151 New Park Ave, Hartford, CT
10am -12 pm – November 7, 2008**

Consent Agenda

1). Report from the Money Follows the Person Evaluation Workgroup:

Evaluation Activities Since 10/3/08 Steering Committee meeting, submitted on November 7, 2008, by Julie Robison, PhD and Martha Porter, BA - University of Connecticut Health Center

- The UCHC research team has submitted 2 modification requests to the UCHC IRB. The first included the CT QOL questions. The second included minor modifications to the introduction to be read by UCHC interviewers when they conduct the national QOL survey and clarification about protecting confidentiality of the data when storing and analyzing it on the UCHC server.
- Work is ongoing with the web consultant to put forms on MFP website, including critical incident, CT Quality of Life, and 24/7 Backup System forms.
- The logistics of secure QOL survey data submission from transition coordinators to MFP staff and UCHC researchers have been determined and will be implemented soon.
- UCHC research team is working with MPR (the national evaluator) survey staff and programmers regarding QOL database functions and use; we have had two teleconferences to resolve questions.
- UCHC and MFP staff completed site visits and audits of NFTP work in all five Centers for Independent Living. UCHC researchers specifically focused on concordance between paper and web-based record keeping for individual program participants.
- The UCHC research team facilitated and provided a meeting summary for the monthly evaluation workgroup meeting on Thursday, 10/16/08. The meeting summary is available upon request from Martha Porter: porter@uchc.edu, 860 679-4275.

2). Report from the Transition Workgroup: submitted by Dawn Lambert, MFP Project Director

October Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review discharge planning folder draft materials
October Results Achieved:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Folder concept developed.
Issues:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
Resolution:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
November Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review discharge planning folder from PR firm• Begin development of strategic outreach/identification plan including consideration of a tracked transition system

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| 1. Introductions - <i>2 minutes</i> | Martha/Stan |
| 2. Public Comment – <i>10 minutes</i> | Claude Holcomb |
| 3. Approval of Meeting Agenda – <i>2 minutes</i> | Martha/Stan |
| 4. Approval of Consent Agenda – <i>2 minutes</i> | a) Report from Transition workgroup
b) Report from Evaluation workgroup |
| 5. Approval of Minutes for the 10/3/08 meeting- <i>2 minutes</i> | Martha/Stan |
| 6. Contractors Report – <i>5 minutes</i> | |
| 7. Project Director's report – <i>5 minutes</i> | Dawn |
| 8. Update on 24/7 emergency backup system – <i>5 minutes</i> | Sherry Ostrout |
| 9. Overview of the workgroup process-advancing benchmarks – <i>30 min.</i> | Dawn |
| 1. Discussion regarding workforce development strategy – <i>15 min.</i> | Dawn |
| 2. Discussion on development of 24/7 emergency back up – <i>15 min.</i> | Dawn |
| 3. Nominating Committee: Approval of new members – <i>15 min.</i> | Martha/Stan |
| 4. New Business - <i>4 minutes</i> | Martha/Stan |
| 5. Public Comment – <i>8 minutes</i> | Public |
| 6. Adjourn | |

Next meeting: Friday, December 5th, from 10-12 at 151 New Park.

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Candidates for Steering Committee Membership

The Nominating Committee would like to propose three new members for the Money Follows the Person steering committee. Short bios of the candidates below:

1. Barbara Parks Wolf, from the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management.

Barbara Parks Wolf, MPH, is a Planning Specialist with the Policy and Planning Division of the Office of Policy and Management. The focus of Barbara's work in State government for the past 22 years has been on planning and policy development, on issues related to health care and long-term care. With regard to long-term care and disability issues, Barbara staffs the Long-Term Care Planning Committee and prepares their three-year State Plan, works in the Connecticut Partnership for Long-Term Care program, manages the State Long-Term Care Services and Supports Website and is a member of the Connect-Ability Steering Committee and the Aging and Disability Resource Center Steering Committee.

2. Steve Karp, Executive Director of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), CT Chapter

Stephen Karp is the Executive Director of the National Association of Social Workers, CT Chapter, a position he held from 1989 –1999, and again since August 2001. Prior to working for NASW Steve spent over ten years in the fields of aging and developmental disabilities, where he did a combination of direct service and administration.

Steve received his BSW in 1977 from Southern CT State University and his MSW in 1983 from Fordham University, with a concentration in community organization.

Steve is a past adjunct professor of social work, teaching courses in community practice and policy, at both the BSW and MSW level, for Southern CT State University, Central CT State University and Saint Josephs College. He currently serves on the Advisory Boards of Sacred Heart University Social Work Program, Central Connecticut State University Social Work Department and Saint Josephs College Social Work Program. He is also a member of the Board of Directors for the Connecticut Citizen Action Group and serves on the Advisory Boards for the Institute for the Advancement of the Practice of Political Social Work at the UCONN School of Social Work and the Office of Health care Advocate. Steve serves on the Clinical Leadership Council of Anthem Behavioral Health and for 2008 Steve has been appointed a member of the Quality, Access and Safety Workgroup of the HealthFirst CT Authority that was created by the Legislature to develop plans for universal health care in Connecticut.

Steve has a long history of involvement in legislative campaigns, including achieving licensure and confidentiality for social workers, managed care reform, welfare reform and mental health & substance abuse parity. He currently represents NASW/CT on the Health Care For All Coalition, for which he is the statewide co-chair. Steve has worked on numerous electoral campaigns and is active in local politics. In 2008 Steve was the treasurer for the referendum committee Vote No: Protect Our Constitution. He resides in Newington, CT where he is involved in his community as the Chairman to the Newington Housing Authority Commission, and a former member of the Town of Newington's Human Rights Commission and Newington Democratic Town Committee.

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Steve has received awards from the CT Association of Senior Center Personnel and from the Legislative Electoral Action Program in recognition of his legislative work and by NASW/CT for his practice in Gerontology. He is the 1997 NASW Outstanding Chapter Executive, an award given to one chapter executive each year.

3. Debra Willis, Policy Consultant for the Alternate Care Unit, Department of Social Services

Debra has been employed by the Department of Social Services for 25 years, starting out in Eligibility Determination services, progressing to Eligibility Supervisor and then promoted to the position of Policy Consultant for the Home Care Program for Elders, administered by the Alternate Care Unit. Debra helps write regulations for the program, and also interprets policy and provides information and guidance to program contractors and the general public.